

State of the County Outline

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County Snapshot

Hancock County continues to grow in population and value.

- Population 48,394
 - From 2016 to 2021, jobs increased by 5.7% from 15,732 to 16,629. This change outpaced the national growth rate of 0.4% by 5.3%.
- 2022 Mill Value \$620,000
- FY22 Budget is \$83,002,032
- 457 county employees
 - o 374 Full-time
 - 83 Part-time
- Total Gross Pay \$12,738,676 Annually

FY 2021

Assessed Value

\$563.4 Million

Value of a Mill

\$552,000

Proposed Budget

\$24 Million FY21

Total Tax Levy 49.01 Mills FY 2022

Assessed Value

\$632 Million

Value of a Mill

\$620,000

Proposed Budget

\$25.6 Million FY22

Total Tax Levy 45.96 Mills **Change**

Assessed Value

\$67.6 Million

Value of a Mill

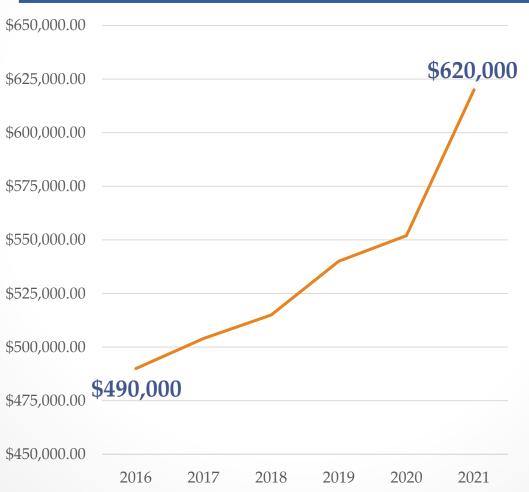
\$68,000

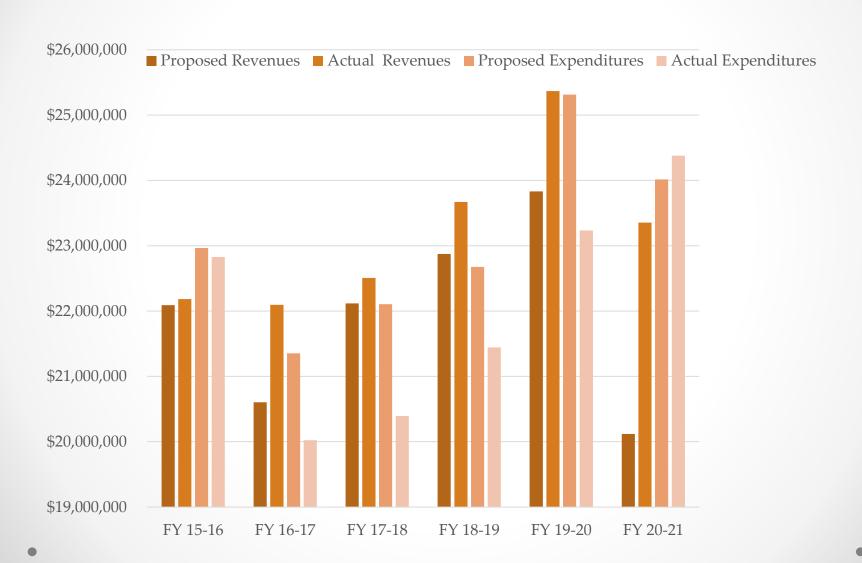
Proposed Budget

\$1.56 Million

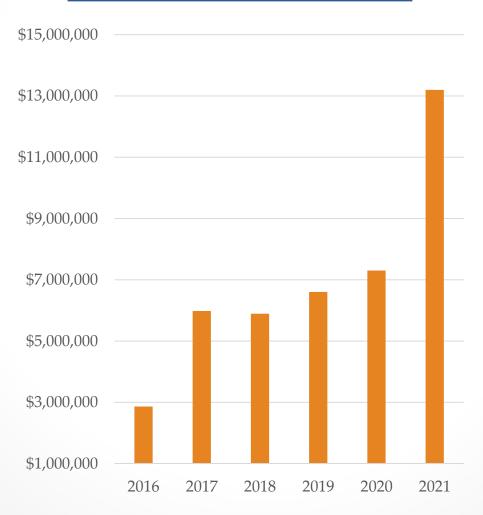
Total Tax Levy
-3.05 Mills

Six Year Mill Values – Increase +25%





General Fund Cash Balance



2021-2022 Highlights

Infrastructure Improvements

County Bridges

- ✓ Completed \$3.4M in bridge reconstruction for five county bridges
- ✓ Appropriated \$3.3M in available grant funds and road and bridge revenues to complete two bridge upgrades
- ✓ No closed bridges in the county and one of the counties with the fewest bridges with posted weight restrictions

County Stormwater Improvements

- ✓ Appropriated \$4.4M in grant funds to improve nine major sites.
- ✓ Appropriated \$2M to match City of Diamondhead for \$4M in drainage improvements

2021-2022 Highlights

Recreation

McLeod Park Expansion

✓ Completed \$2.5M in McLeod Park Expansion to include trails, camping, restrooms, music venue, etc.

Pearlington Playground

✓ Constructed New Playground at Library.

Fishing Piers

✓ Issued Notices to Proceed for reconstruction of both the Washington Street Pier and Clermont Harbor Pier

Hancock County Arena



- ✓ Secured \$16M in funding for Hancock County Livestock Arena
- ✓ Arena Roof Replacement: Appropriated \$1M

FY 2022 Board Priorities

- Pavement Capital for paving of County Roads (\$1M)
- Continue to Implement Storm Water Program (9 sites approved)
- Secured County Arena Master Plan Funding (\$16M)
- Complete McLeod Park expansion Project (\$2.5M)
- Repair and extend Clermont Harbor Pier
- Repair or replace Washington St. Pier
- Repair and replace Hancock County Sand Beach (\$3M)
- Work with our legislators to secure funding for county utility system improvements.

Harbor Commission

Stennis Int'l Airport &

Port Bienville Industrial Park

- 1,000 employees
- 30 companies
- \$8 million in local taxes

The Commission is the lead economic development entity for Hancock County to grow jobs, tax base, assets, and revenue for Hancock County.







THE CORNERSTONE OF MISSISSIPPI'S AEROSPACE INDUSTRY

Stennis Airport

Capital Investments

- ✓24,000 SF RESTORE Hangar
- √ 10,000 SF Corporate Hangar
- ✓ Airport lighting improvements
- ✓ Runway maintenance, restriping and rubber removal
- North apron expansion under construction

Future Investment

Stennis Technology Park





PORT BIENVILLE

MULTIMODAL MOMENTUM
HIGH-POWERED PERFORMANCE

PORT BIENVILLE INVESTMENTS

- ✓ Linea Dock
- ✓ Tail Track Upgrades
- ✓ Rail Maintenance

- Railcar Storage Track (awarded)
- Site 4 Transload (below)



NASA Stennis Space Center

50-Mile Radius Impact: \$754 Million

- Relativity Space & Lockheed Martin Space Systems expansions
- Successful Green Run Test
- 60th Anniversary
- Active Navy operations



HANCOCK COUNTY TUITION ASSISTANCE

Academic year 2021-2022

- Bay St. Louis 15 students
- Diamondhead 9 students
- > Waveland 4 students
- County 25 students

Total funds awarded:

- Bay St. Louis \$12,000
- Diamondhead \$7,000
- > Waveland \$4,000
- > County \$26,000

\$50,000 & 53 students





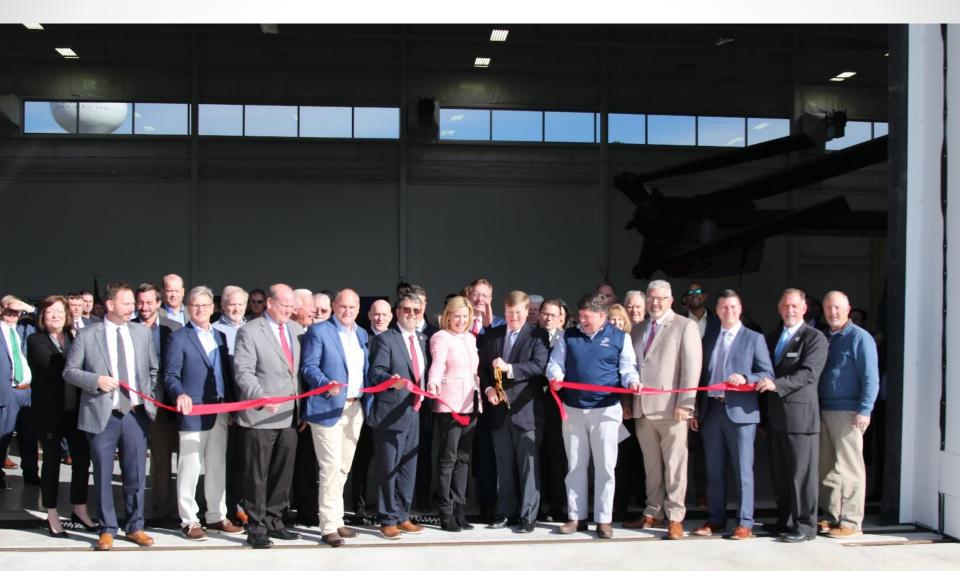
Aviation and Aerospace Workforce Academy



35,000 SF Academy

18,000 SF Hangar
Under construction

Investment = Job Growth



Hancock County is Growing

- The population is rising
- Jobs are being created
- Investments support future development

As we grow and the county's value increases, ad valorem taxes go down.

Last year, Hancock County reduced taxes by over six percent.

Thank You All For Attending

